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## Triple shooting takes two lives, permanently affects many others

## Statement of Alderman Khalif J. Rainey May 11, 2022

A triple shooting involving teens that occurred on Saturday (May 7) at the McDonalds at N. 49<sup>th</sup> St. and W. Hampton Ave. has claimed two lives.

A 16-year-old boy died shortly after the shooting, and a 15-year-old boy died of his injuries in the hospital on Monday, May 9. A 14-year-old boy with gunshot wounds remains in the hospital in critical condition, according to police.

I offer my sincere condolences to the loved ones of the victims, and I pray for peace and healing for all going forward.

An argument that leads to gunfire also leads to broken lives on all sides. Death, horrific injuries, loved ones trying to deal with pain and loss, and severe damage to the community are just starters.

The horror that gunfire brings is not something to normalize, and we must do everything we can to break the mindset that brings firearms into any argument or confrontation. Gun violence begets more gun violence, and death.

If you see a potential gun violence scenario developing with relatives, friends, or neighbors, I strongly recommend that you reach out to the 414LIFE staff that are affiliated with the city's Office of Violence Prevention. Please make that call to **414-439-5525**.

414LIFE has staff members experienced in violence interruption and de-escalation, and they've already saved hundreds of lives in Milwaukee doing what they do.

In Saturday's triple shooting, Milwaukee Police are seeking additional information in the case, and anyone with details to pass along is asked to please call (414) 935-7360. To remain anonymous, please contact Milwaukee Crime Stoppers at (414) 224-Tips or P3 Tips App.

